

issue his summons under his hand and seal to the sheriff of Frederick county, requiring him to summon twenty persons qualified to act as jurors, not interested in the property to be valued, to meet at or near the property to be valued, on a day named in said summons, not less than ten nor more than twenty days after the issuing of the same.

1876, ch. 96.

229. If at the time named in said summons any of said jurors summoned do not attend, the sheriff shall immediately summon as many persons qualified to act as jurors, as may be necessary with the jurors in attendance to form a panel of twenty jurors, and from them each party or his agent, or if either be not present in person or by agent, the sheriff for such party, may strike off four jurors, and the remaining persons shall act as the jury for the inquisition of damages.

Ibid.

230. Before the said jury shall proceed to act, the sheriff shall administer to each juror an oath, that he will justly and impartially value the damages which the owner shall sustain by the condemnation of said property required by the said corporation; and in case said property shall be subject to a lease, or an estate for life, the jury shall ascertain and return in their inquisition the value of such lease or estate for life, and also the value of the estate in remainder or reversion.

Ibid.

231. The jury shall summon such witnesses as either party may require, and examine them on oath in relation to the property to be condemned, and they shall reduce the testimony to writing, if any is taken by them; and after the testimony is closed, and without any unnecessary delay, and before proceeding to the examination of any other claims, they shall ascertain and determine the compensation which ought to be made by the said corporation to the parties owning said property, according to their respective interests in the property to be condemned.

Ibid.

232. The jury shall reduce their inquisition to writing, and shall sign and seal the same, and it shall be returned by the